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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

South Carolina Electric and Gas Company

Project No. 516-487

Notice of Application Accepted for Filing, Soliciting Comments, Motions to Intervene,  
and Protests

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and is available for public inspection:

- a. Type of Application: Non-project use of project lands and water.
- b. Project No: 516-487
- c. Date Filed: July 8, 2015 and supplemented on September 17, 2015

d. Applicant: South Carolina Electric and Gas Company (licensee)

e. Name of Project: Saluda Hydroelectric Project

f. Location: Lake Murray of the Saluda Hydroelectric Project located in Lexington, Newberry, Richland and Saluda counties, South Carolina.

g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 USC 791a - 825r

h. Applicant Contact: James M. Landreth, Vice President, South Carolina Electric and Gas Company, Mail Code A221, 220 Operation Way, Cayce, South Carolina 29033; phone (803) 217-7224.

i. FERC Contact: Ms. Joy Kurtz at 202-502-6760, or [joy.kurtz@ferc.gov](mailto:joy.kurtz@ferc.gov)

j. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests is **30 days** from the issuance of this notice by the Commission. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene, protests, and comments using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>.

Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration,

using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-516-487.

k. Description of Request: The licensee requests Commission approval to grant the Town of Batesburg-Leesville permission to use project lands and water within the project boundary on Lake Murray for the construction of a raw water intake facility. The raw water intake facility would withdraw up to 5.5 million gallons of water per day for public drinking water and would consist of a 12-foot long by 8-foot wide platform with a 25-foot long by 4-foot wide gangway, which would be connected to a 12-foot long by 16-foot wide floating dock. The floating intake structure would include a fabricated intake float and gangway system. The intake structure would be screened and have a maximum approach velocity of 0.31 feet per second. The intake siphon would be equipped with an air release valve and check valve, and connect to the raw water pump station. The raw water pump station would be constructed of concrete and have a stucco finish, resembling a residential structure. The raw water line would leave the project boundary and follow road right of ways to an existing water treatment plant. In order to provide the Town of Batesburg-Leesville access to the raw water intake facility for construction, operation and

maintenance purposes, the licensee has proposed to convey an easement of approximately 0.02 acres within the project boundary to the Town of Batesville-Leesburg.

l. Locations of the Application: A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling 202-502-8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call 866-208-3676 or e-mail [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), for TTY, call 202-502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene: Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those

who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

o. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents: Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title “COMMENTS”; “PROTEST”, or “MOTION TO INTERVENE” as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). All comments, motions to intervene, or protests should relate to the non-project use application. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application. If an intervener files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

DATED: September 18, 2015

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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